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40TH LONE SAILOR AWARD

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Donald H. Rumsfeld to Receive Lone Sailor Award

The U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation will present its 40th Lone Sailor Award on May 3, 2002 to Donald H. Rumsfeld, secretary of defense. The award ceremony will begin at 6 p.m. in the Arleigh and Roberta Burke Theater at the U.S. Navy Memorial's Naval Heritage Center.

The Lone Sailor Award recognizes Navy veterans who have continued to distinguish themselves in civilian life. Herman Wouk received the first award in 1987 and 38 others were awarded since. Some of the recipients include former Presidents Theodore Roosevelt[†] (2000), John F. Kennedy[†] (1999), Richard Nixon[†] (1996), Gerald R. Ford (1992), and George H. W. Bush (1991); current and former U.S. Senators John F. Kerry (1999), Robert Kerrey (1997), and Daniel P. Moynihan (1994); actors Ernest Borgnine (1997) and Tony Curtis (1994); and Editor-in-Chief/Publisher Austin H. Kiplinger (1997).

The ceremony is by invitation. **Media interested in covering the event should contact Darius A. Radzius by 2:00 p.m. on May 1, 2002 at (202) 380-0726 or by e-mail at darius@lonesailor.org.** Identify your organization, organization type, person(s) attending, and contact information. Space is limited. Should media interest exceed the capacity to accommodate everyone at the ceremony, pool arrangements will be made at the Navy Memorial at 9:30 a.m. on May 3, 2002. Media kits will be available from 10 a.m., May 1 through 5 p.m., May 4, 2002.

The Lone Sailor statue, sculpted by Stanley Bleifeld, currently stands on the granite world map between the White House and the Capitol on Pennsylvania Avenue. A composite of the U.S. Navy Bluejacket, the statue represents past, present, and future Sailors and Marines.

The U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation is a non-partisan, not-for-profit organization. It was founded in 1977 by Navy, civic, and national leaders to honor men and women of the U.S. sea services, and to perpetuate their values, heritage, and traditions.

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[†] Posthumously